

# Active Transportation Advisory Committee Meeting MINUTES

Meeting Date: September 15, 2015, 5:00 p.m. Location: City Administration Building, Conference Room 102 30 S. Nevada Avenue, Colorado Springs, CO 80901

Members Present: Jim Ramsey, Doug Bursnall, Aubrey Day, Stephanie Surch, Joe Souvignier, Mark Hopewell

Staff Present: Tim Roberts, Traffic Engineering; Brian Shevock, Traffic Engineering; Kathleen Krager, Traffic Engineering

Others Present: Susan Davies, TOSC; David Emery; Mike Rigney; Sarah Harris, Downtown Partnership

- 1. Call to Order/Introductions
  - Jim Ramsey called the meeting to order at 5:06 p.m.
- 2. Citizen Comment
  - None
- 3. Approval Meeting Summary
  - August 18, 2015 Meeting Summary
  - Add Kathleen Krager and Mark Hopewell to the attendees

## Aubrey Day moves to approve, Stephanie Surch seconds: Passes unanimously

- 4. Projects Update
  - Brian Shevock updated the Committee on the following projects.
    - o Prospect Lake Drive: The contra-flow project is complete.
    - 8<sup>th</sup> Street/Arcturus to Fountain Creek: Discussion regarding this project included a question regarding the crossover design at intersections.
    - Hancock Avenue: The project accommodates parking for homes.
       There are connections to Las Animas, Costilla, and Bijou facilities.
    - o Popcycle Bridge: A monument for the Pikes Peak Greenway.
    - o Kiowa Green Bike Lanes: Enhances bike safety with weaving traffic.

• There was discussion regarding the Overlay Program.

#### 5. Old Business

- A. Walk and Wheel Grant
- Aubrey Day advised that the last meeting included discussion about placement of repair stations.
- She advised there was discussion about the possibility of a bike summit next Spring. The Independent is considering it to be the "Year of the Bike".
- She further stated if anyone is interested in being part of the planning to let her know.
- The Walk and Wheel program is funding a project for "Walk to Connect". There will be a training opportunity in early October.

#### B. ATAC Retreat Scheduling

- Tim Roberts had problems with Doodle poll and was not able to schedule the Retreat in September.
- There was discussion regarding making it a regular ATAC meeting in November and dedicate the entire meeting to a Complete Streets policy.
- Discussion ensued regarding LAB application and end of trip facilities.

#### C. Wayfinding

- Brian Shevock briefed the Committee on the Wayfinding subcommittee recommendations.
- He described the symbols that will be used to designate route difficulty and classifications.
- He requested volunteers to participate in the first project which is in Falcon Estates.

#### 6. New Business

- A. Downtown Bike Master Plan
- Sarah Harris presented the Downtown Master Plan update.
- Downtown Partnership is doing an update to the Imagine Downtown Plan.
- They are looking at developing market based actions, which will include actions items along with implementation recommendations.
- The Partnership will be hosting a Community Forum on November 17<sup>th</sup>.
- They anticipate a draft plan to be ready towards the November/December timeframe.
- The plan will focus on opportunity areas, streets mobility and connectivity.
- There will be a bicycle element to the plan.

#### B. Downtown Bike Facilities/Vermijo Avenue

- Kathleen Krager introduced the Vermijo Avenue item.
- Tim Roberts discussed potential roadway sections downtown which included three for Pikes Peak and five for Vermijo.
- There was discussion regarding a pedestrian plaza as an alternative.
- Discussion included extending Vermijo improvements to Wahsatch Street.
- An additional section was discussed to function as an "event street".

#### C. Pikes Peak Bike Blvd.

- At a public meeting at Westside Community Center staff was asked to look at Pikes Peak Blvd. as a Bike Boulevard
- Staff would make operational improvements to improve bike safety and to make biking equal priority to vehicles.
- There was discussion regarding roadway markings for bicycle boulevards.

#### D. Bike Ambassadors

- Brian Shevock presented the Bike Ambassadors Program.
- Great opportunity to promote healthier transportation, biking and walking.
- ATAC members are all automatically ambassadors.
- There was discussion regarding getting others involved, not the same people who are always involved.

#### 7. Staff and ATAC Communications

- Add LAB discussion to the October agenda.
- Add upcoming public meetings to agenda.

### 8. Adjournment

• Meeting adjourned at 8:23 p.m.